

**OPINION 796****AMBALODUS BRANSON & MEHL, 1933 (CONODONTS): ADDED TO THE OFFICIAL LIST OF GENERIC NAMES**

**RULING.**—(1) The generic name *Ambalodus* Branson & Mehl, 1933 (gender: masculine), type-species, by original designation, *Ambalodus triangularis* Branson & Mehl, 1933, is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology with the Name Number 1743.

(2) The specific name *triangularis* Branson & Mehl, 1933, as published in the binomen *Ambalodus triangularis* (type-species of *Ambalodus* Branson & Mehl, 1933) is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology with the Name Number 2178.

(3) The generic name *Ambolodus* Branson & Mehl, 1934? (an unjustified emendation of *Ambalodus* Branson & Mehl, 1933) is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Generic Names in Zoology with the Name Number 1894.

**HISTORY OF THE CASE (Z.N.(S.) 1633)**

The present case was submitted to the office of the Commission by Dr. Michael C. Mound and Dr. Raymond L. Ethington in January 1964. The application was sent to the printer on 28 February 1964 and was published on 16 October 1964 in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* 21 : 310–314. Public Notice of the possible use of the plenary powers in the present case was given in the same part of the *Bulletin* as well as to the other prescribed serial publications (Constitution Art. 12b; *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* 21 : 184) and to two palaeontological serials. The proposals were supported by Professor C. G. Winder.

**DECISION OF THE COMMISSION**

On 16 June 1966 the Members of the Commission were invited to vote under the Three-Month Rule on Voting Paper (66)33 either for or against the proposals set out in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* 21 : 313–314. At the close of the prescribed voting period on 16 September 1966 the state of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative votes—nineteen (19), received in the following order: China, Lemche, Holthuis, Brinck, Boschma, Vokes, Sabrosky, Obruchev, Binder, do Amaral, Uchida, Tortonese, Kraus, Mayr, Mertens, Forest, Alvarado, Jaczewski, Evans.

Negative votes—none (0).

Voting Papers not returned—two (2): Hubbs, Munroe.

Commissioners Ride, Stoll, Simpson and Bonnet returned late affirmative votes. A number of Commissioners, in returning their votes, expressed the view that the use of the plenary powers was unnecessary in the present case.

**ORIGINAL REFERENCES**

The following are the original references for names placed on Official Lists and Index by the Ruling given in the present Opinion:

*Ambalodus* Branson & Mehl, 1933, *University Missouri Studies* 8 (2) : 127  
*Ambalodus* Branson & Mehl, 1934?, *University Missouri Studies* 8 (4) : errata  
*triangularis*, *Ambalodus*, Branson & Mehl, 1933, *University Missouri Studies*  
8(2) : 128, pl. 10, figs. 35-37

#### CERTIFICATE

We certify that the votes cast on Voting Paper (66)33 were cast as set out above, that the proposal contained in that Voting Paper has been duly adopted, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission, is truly recorded in the present Opinion No. 796.

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*Assistant Secretary*

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*London*  
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